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TO DIRECTOR AND HOUSTON, KANSAS CITY AND SAN FRANCISCO

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1897)

UNSUB, AKA JOHN WILLARD; MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM,

CR. OO MEMPHIS.

[redacted] DRIVER, YELLOW CAB CO., MEMPHIS, TENN., ADVISED HE MADE A PICKUP OF A WHITE MALE AT WILLIAM LEN HOTEL AROUND TWELVE ZERO FIVE AM, APRIL FIVE, WHO FIRST REQUESTED TO GO TO WEST MEMPHIS, ARKANSAS. IMMEDIATELY AFTER STARTING TO THIS DESTINATION, SUSPECT INSTRUCTED [redacted] TO TAKE HIM TO MEMPHIS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

UPON ARRIVAL AT AIRPORT, SUSPECT TOLD [redacted] TO WAIT FOR HIM WHILE HE CHECKED FLIGHT DEPARTURE SCHEDULE. ACCORDING TO [redacted] SUSPECT ALSO MADE INSPECTION OF THE INSIDE AND IMMEDIATE AREA OUTSIDE OF THE AIRPORT TERMINAL. HE THEN REQUESTED [redacted] TO RETURN TO THE WILLIAM LEN HOTEL AND INSTRUCTED HIM TO WAIT. [redacted] STATED SUSPECT RETURNED WITH ANOTHER MALE WHITE AND REQUESTED THAT THEY BE TAKEN BACK TO THE MEMPHIS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

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RECORDS, WILLIAM LEN HOTEL REVEAL [redacted] AND [redacted] CHECKED INTO HOTEL, TWO THIRTY EIGHT PM, APRIL FOUR LAST, AND CHECKED OUT APPROXIMATELY

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TWELVE TEN AM, INSTANT DATE.

INVESTIGATION REVEALED [redacted] AND [redacted] IDENTICAL TO INDIVIDUALS [redacted] TRANSPORTED TO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

DELTA AIRLINES, MEMPHIS, ADVISED TWO INDIVIDUALS GOING BY NAMES OF [redacted] AND [redacted] DEPARTED MEMPHIS AT ONE FIFTY SEVEN AM THIS DATE, VIA DELTA AIRLINES, ENROUTE HOUSTON, TEXAS. THESE INDIVIDUALS HAD NO RESERVATIONS FOR THAT FLIGHT.

SUSPECT NO. ONE DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, TWENTY FIVE - TWENTY EIGHT YEARS, FIVE FT. TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY LBS., BROWN HAIR, PARTED ON SIDE, WEARING GRAY SUIT.

SUSPECT NO. TWO DESCRIBED AS TWENTY FIVE TO THIRTY YRS., SIX FT. TWO INCHES, TWO HUNDRED LBS., BLOND HAIR, RUDDY FACE, DRESSED IN WHITE SHIRT AND DARK TROUSERS, CARRYING DARK BLUE COAT IN HAND.

FROM INFO RECEIVED, SUSPECT NO. ONE BELIEVED TO BE [redacted] SUSPECT NO. TWO POSSIBLY [redacted]

HOUSTON IMMEDIATELY CONTACT DELTA AIRLINES FOR ANY INFO TO IDENTIFY SUSPECTS AND FOR ANY INFO RE THEIR ACTIVITIES.

KANSAS CITY, APPEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND FURNISH BACKGROUND AS WELL AS PHOTO, IF AVAILABLE, RE [redacted]

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[redacted].

SAN FRANCISCO, FURNISH SAME INFO FOR [redacted].

EXPEDITE AND SUTEL.

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c-Mr. Mathews